



Public Meeting

Judge Welsh Meeting Room

Thursday

November 3, 2011

4:00 p.m.

Members Present: **Joe DeMartino, John Livingstone,
Mark Phillips, and Elizabeth Williams.**

Members Absent: **Laurie Delmolino and Ken Janson (both
excused)**

Staff: **Brian Carlson Acting Health Agent**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Public Comments

There were none.

New Business

Discussion: 6 Nelson Ave

Septic inspector's request

Chris Lucy, a Title 5 Systems Inspector, had the reports available. There have been 2 inspections – the first one by James Roderick and the second one by Chris Lucy. Based on the first inspection, Brian sent a letter to Wildflower Condo Assoc. regarding a failed system due to hydraulic failure of the leaching pit, however the letter was returned as unclaimed

Chris Lucy was then contacted by the property manager (Peters Property Management) because Mr. Roderick found that the leaching pit was full which indicated that the system had failed. The property manager asked Mr. Lucy to conduct another septic inspection. The leaching pit at that time was a foot below the top. This inspection happened one month after the first inspection. It was reported that one of the tenants was thought to be bringing in a whole lot of laundry; it also turns out that the family who was over using the property has moved. In the middle of October, Mr. Lucy said that it was about 17" lower.

The report that Mr. Lucy gave was informative and comprehensive and the Board discussed the findings. They all felt that an inspection every two months might be sufficient to monitor the system.

Betty Williams suggested that the BoH get a report from Mr. Lucy every other month. The next one would be due in January.

Mark Phillips – in addition - would like a conversation with the owners. He asked Brian Carlson to contact them and have the owners and/or trustee come to the next meeting (November 17th) to further discuss maintenance and plans for the system.

The design of a new Title 5 septic system will be difficult due to existing lot lines and required setbacks.

Discussion: 211 Bradford Street

Homeowner request

The owner, Genevieve Martin, has a two pump system which has one failed pump. She would like to limp along until she's hooked up to the sewer in December or January. One of the members of the BoH asked what would happen if the one remaining pump were to fail? The owner doesn't want to replace the pump since the sewer hook-up is imminent.

Another question – Can the system run effectively on only one pump?

Since there were many questions – it was also deemed necessary to speak to the owner personally before any decision is made. Brian will ask her to attend the next meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Move to accept the minutes of the October 20th meeting as written.

Motion: Mark Phillips Seconded: Joe DeMartino Vote: 4-0-0

Any other business that shall properly come before the Board

There was none.

Acting Health Agent's Report

He's going through the water quality data from the State DEP and EPA and will have something prepared for the next meeting.

He's also waiting to hear about the Mass Bays Program grant which seeks funding for additional water quality testing.

Board Members' Statements

Mark Phillips said that he was surprised to read in last week's Banner (October 27th) that Jane Evans resigned on October 4th and that the Health Agent position will be eliminated since there is an overlap between that position and the Health and Environmental Affairs Manager position now held by Brian Carlson. The new position that will be created will be called – Code Compliance Inspector – and will be supervised by Brian.

Once Mark brought up the subject, the other members of the BoH chimed in and said they too were disappointed that they had not been apprised of the change and had to read about it in the newspaper.

It was jointly agreed that they will invite Sharon Lynn, Town Manager, to come to the next meeting and update them on changes and perhaps on the reasons for them.

**NEXT BOH MEETING
THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 17TH
4:00 P.M.**

Adjournment happened at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by _____ **on** _____, 2011.
Mark Phillips, Chair